

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the
Commission's Own Motion to Determine
Whether Baseline Allowances for Residential
Usage of Gas and Electricity Should Be Revised.

Rulemaking 01-05-047

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING REVISING
HEARING/PREHEARING SCHEDULE**

This ruling revises the schedule for this proceeding. On January 31, 2002, I scheduled hearings for July 2002. The Utility Reform Network (TURN) and the Greenlining Institute (Greenlining) later sought delay of the hearings, claiming they would not be ready by July, even though they were given more than five months' notice. I am disappointed at this turn of events, but also feel it essential to hear the TURN/Greenlining proposals at the same time as other issues, since the proposals focus the baseline allocations for certain low-income customers.

The revised schedule is as follows.

Event	Due Date
Comments on IOU climate zone submissions due	July 8, 2002
Reply comments on IOU climate zone submissions due	July 22, 2002
Opening testimony due	August 1, 2002
Responsive testimony due	August 27, 2002
Discovery and motion cut-off (all discovery responses due no later than this date, and motions heard no later than this date)	August 27, 2002

Event	Due Date
Hearings	September 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 2002, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that the schedule for this proceeding is revised as set forth herein. I attach another copy of the Hearing Room Ground Rules for parties to follow in preparing for hearings.

Dated July 2, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ SARAH R. THOMAS

Sarah R. Thomas
Administrative Law Judge

APPENDIX A HEARING ROOM GROUND RULES

1. All prepared written testimony should be served on all appearances and state service on the service list, as well as on the Assigned Commissioner's office and on the Assigned ALJ. Prepared written testimony shall not be filed with the Commission's Docket Office.
2. Each party sponsoring an exhibit should, in the hearing room, provide two copies to the ALJ and one to the court reporter, and have copies available for distribution to parties present in the hearing room. (Present estimate: 5 copies.) The upper right hand corner of the exhibit cover sheet should be blank for the ALJ's exhibit stamp. If there is not sufficient room in the upper right hand corner for an exhibit stamp, please prepare a cover sheet for the exhibit.
3. As a general rule, if a party intends to introduce an exhibit in the course of cross-examination, the party should provide a copy of the exhibit to the witness and the witness' counsel before the witness takes the stand on the day the exhibit is to be introduced. Generally, a party is not required to give the witness an advance copy of the document if it is to be used for purposes of impeachment or to obtain the witness' spontaneous reaction.
4. Generally, corrections to an exhibit should be made in advance and not orally from the witness stand. Corrections should be made in a timely manner by providing new exhibit pages on which corrections appear. The original text to be deleted should be lined out with the substitute or added text shown above or inserted. Each correction page should be marked with the word "revised" and the revision date.
5. Exhibit corrections will receive the same number as the original exhibit plus a letter to identify the correction. For example, Exhibit 5-A is the first correction to Exhibit 5.
6. Individual chapters of large, bound volumes of testimony may be marked with separate exhibit numbers, as convenient.
7. Partial documents or excerpts from documents must include a title page or first page from the source document; excerpts from lengthy documents should include a table of contents page covering the excerpted material.

8. Motions to strike prepared testimony must be made at least two working days before the witness appears, to allow the ALJ time for review of the arguments and relevant testimony.
9. Notices, compliance filings, or other documents may be marked as reference items. They need not be served on all parties. Items will be marked using letters, not numbers.
10. No food is allowed in the hearing room; drinks are allowed if you dispose of containers and napkins every morning and afternoon.

(END OF APPENDIX A)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Revising Hearing/Prehearing Schedule on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated July 2, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TERESITA C. GALLARDO

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N O T I C E

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